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TRAINING FOR ADULT LITERACY TUTORS Library Volunteer Training Begins June 17

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You can make a difference by volunteering to tutor reading, writing, math or English language skills to an adult in your community. The Santa Barbara Public Library System's Adult Literacy Program seeks volunteers who can serve once or twice a week as tutors at their local library. The next training for volunteers begins Monday, June 17. The four-session course will meet Mondays and Tuesdays, June 17, 18, 24, and 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Townley Room, Santa Barbara Public Library, 40 E. Anapamu St. in Santa Barbara.

Free tutoring helps adult learners reach their goals, including improving job skills, studying for the GED test, or learning how to help their own children do homework. For more than a quarter of a century, the Library's literacy program has offered no-cost, one-to-one, flexibly scheduled tutoring at all library branches, and has helped thousands of local adults improve their life skills.

New volunteers must take nine hours of tutor training before being matched with a learner, and tutors are asked to make a six-month commitment to tutoring. To sign up for the training course, please call 805-564-5619 or contact literacy@sbplibrary.org. Turn your passion for learning into a positive step--and help someone who wants to learn something new!

All Library programs are free and open to the public. For more information about Santa Barbara Public Library System programs and services, visit the Library online at SBPLibrary.org.

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